

Causey House
2 Causey Avenue
Milford
Sussex County
Delaware

HABS No. DE-183

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STATE Delaware	COUNTY Sussex	TOWN OR VICINITY Milford
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Causey House		HABS NO. DE-183
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 2 Causey Avenue		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1763	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Michael, an English architect	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Built in the mid eighteenth in the Georgian style, this house was owned by the Crapper family who owned most of south Milford's land. It was later owned by Gov. Daniel Rogers and Gov. Peter Causey. The latter owner transformed the building into a Greek Revival-style house. Although in an urban setting, the house has maintained its landscaping and related outbuildings.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Greek Revival		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Brick bearing walls, timber framing		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Approximately 50' (five bay front) x 57', with two-story 20'-wide wings at each end		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Half-story on top is wood, with small windows covered with ornate grills; gable roof with deck in center; entrance porch has paired fluted Ionic columns, denticulated cornice; doorway has large wood architrave with scrolled dentils and paired consoles, stone sill; two-story porch across front of southeast wing has large box columns; Flemish-bond brick		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Windows in living and dining rooms have splayed jambs that form pilasters, wood panels under windows; chair rail in hall, first and second floors; plaster ceiling medallions in living and dining rooms, marble mantel in living room; paneled jambs between hall and other rooms.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES 1855: remodelled by Gov. Causey into a Greek Revival style structure Rooms in southeast half of building now a separate apartment		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Residential		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) John P. White, HABS Project Supervisor, draft description, 1975. National Register Nomination for Historic Resources of Milford MRA, South Milford Historic District		
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